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Amendments to the Abstract:

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ABSTRACT

A blending system that includes a blending vessel having an internal surface that has at least one layer of a polymeric coating material thereon, and an impeller is disclosed. The polymeric coating material preferably includes a fluorocarbon polymer.